

REMARKS

Claims 8-23 have been cancelled, and Claims 24-37 have been added. Thus, 1-7 and 24-37 are currently pending in the present application, of which Claims 1-7 have been amended.

Support for the claim amendments and the newly added claims can be found in Figures 2-3 and the corresponding text of the specification.

Rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 102

Claims 1-23 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by *Johary et al.* (US 5,222,212). Applicants respectfully traverse such rejection insofar as it might apply to the claims as amended herein.

Amended Claim 1 (and similarly Claims 24 and 31) now recites a step of "in response to a selection of a concurrent display mode, providing identical information to said first and second memory locations, such that contents displayed on said first display device are identical to contents displayed on said second display device," and a step of "in response to a selection of a split display mode, retaining information in said first memory location and updating information in said second memory location, such that contents displayed on said first display device are different from contents displayed on said second display device."

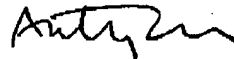
Johary does not teach or suggest the claimed concurrent display mode and the claimed split display mode. Although on page 3 of the Office Action, the Examiner asserts that the claimed split display mode is disclosed by *Johary* in col. 6, lines 54-61, *Johary* does not teach or suggest the recitation of "retaining information in said first memory location and updating information in said second memory location, such that contents displayed on said first display device are different from contents displayed on said second display device." Because the claimed invention recites novel features that are not found in *Johary*, the § 102 rejection is believed to be overcome.

CONCLUSION

Claims 1-7 and 24-37 are currently pending in the present application. For the reasons stated above, Applicants believe that independent Claims 1, 24 and 31 along with their respective dependent claims are in condition for allowance. The remaining prior art cited by the Examiner but not relied upon has been reviewed and is not believed to show or suggest the claimed invention.

No fee or extension of time is believed to be necessary; however, in the event that any fee or extension of time is required for the prosecution of this application, please charge it against IBM Deposit Account No. 09-0465.

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